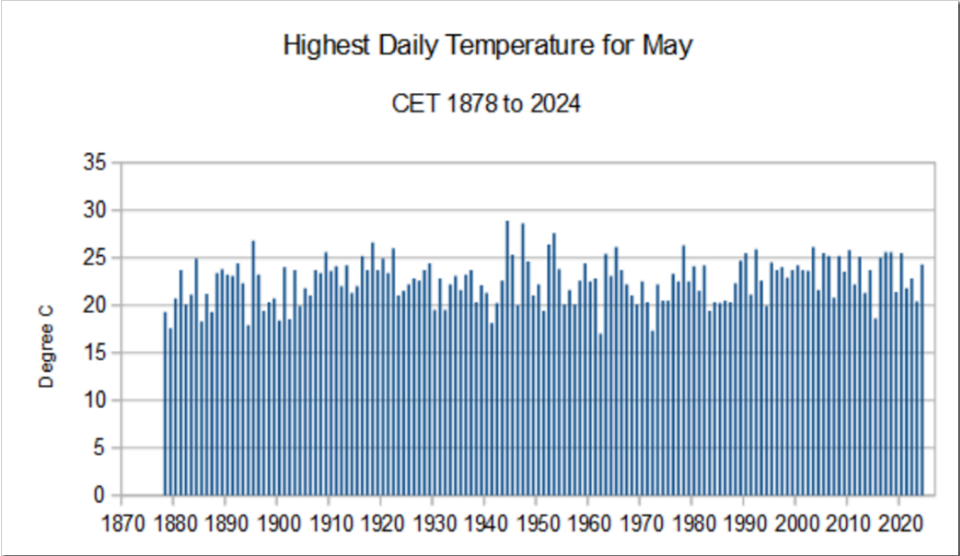






Hottest May! Believe Us, Not Your Lying Eyes!

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While it may not have felt like it for many, with sunshine in short supply, provisional figures show May and spring were the warmest on record for the UK.

Get the full details, including how warm nights influenced the figures 

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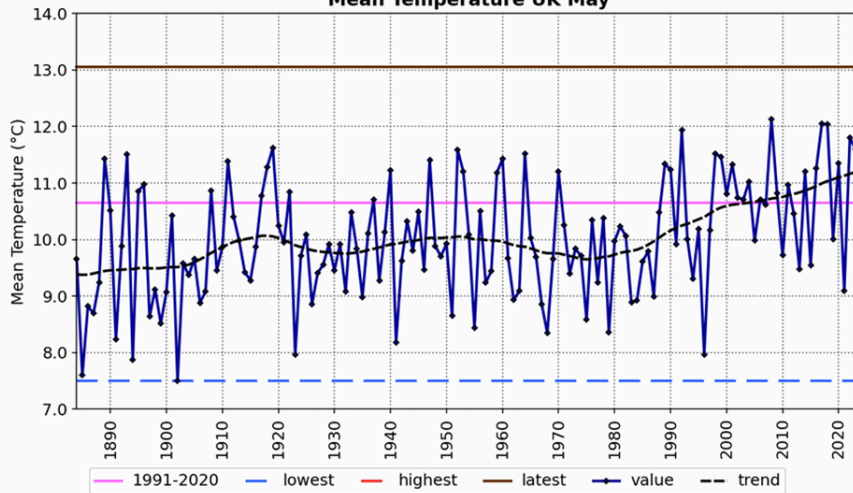
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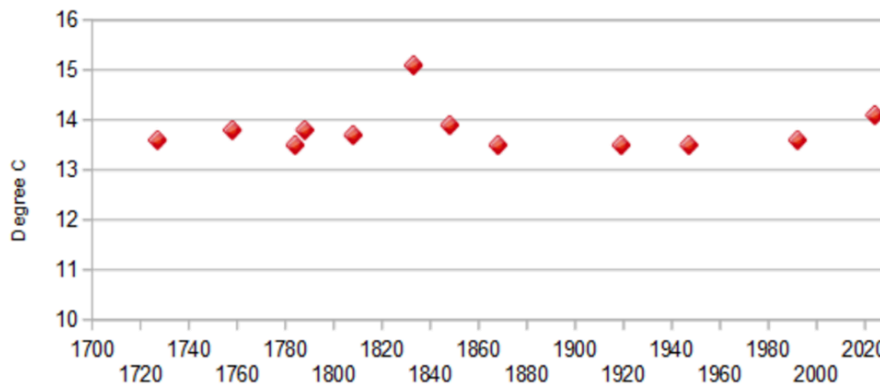
The Met Office has now shredded the last bit of credibility it had.

Do they seriously expect people to believe this lie? And it is not just warmer by a few hundredths of a degree. They actually dare to claim it is a whole degree warmer than ever before.

First off, as they have now done three times in the last year, they have declared a record hot month, without even mentioning that longer running CET data shows it was much warmer in the 19thC. In this case, May 1833 was a full degree hotter. To not mention this fact is proof that the Met Office are no longer interested in facts, only political propaganda.

CET Hottest Mays

1659 to 2024



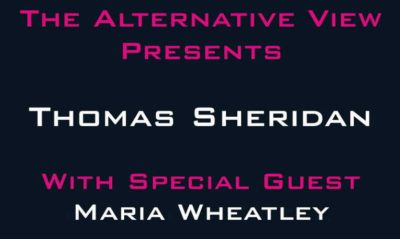
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CET also shows that we had several similarly warm Mays in the 19thC, which raises the question – are we comparing like with like when we compare temperatures nowadays with those from 50 or 100 years ago?

Which of course brings us back to the junk nature of the Met Office's weather station network. As we know, most of it is unfit to be used for climatological purposes, as poor siting means they can have margins of error up to 5C.

At no stage was the weather last month anything out of the ordinary. We had a few, pleasant days, but temperatures never got above the level regularly seen in other years. The highest temperature of the month on CET was only 24.3C, well below the record of 28.9C set in May 1944, and 28.6C in May 1947. There have been 33 years which recorded higher May temperatures.

And the second half of the month was distinctly cool.



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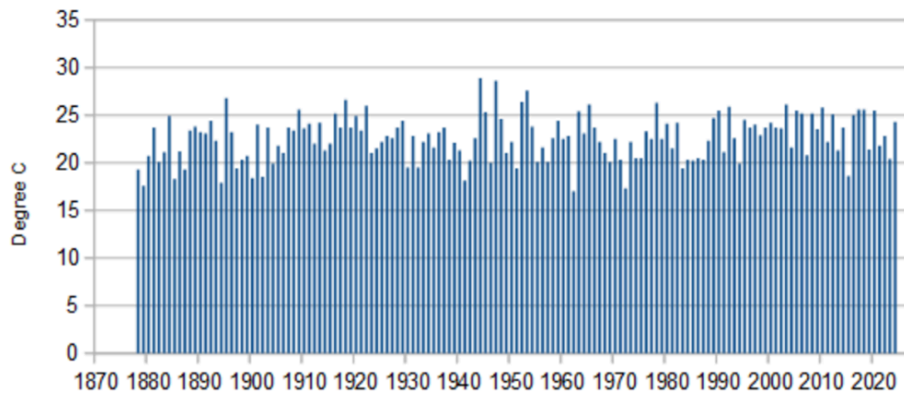
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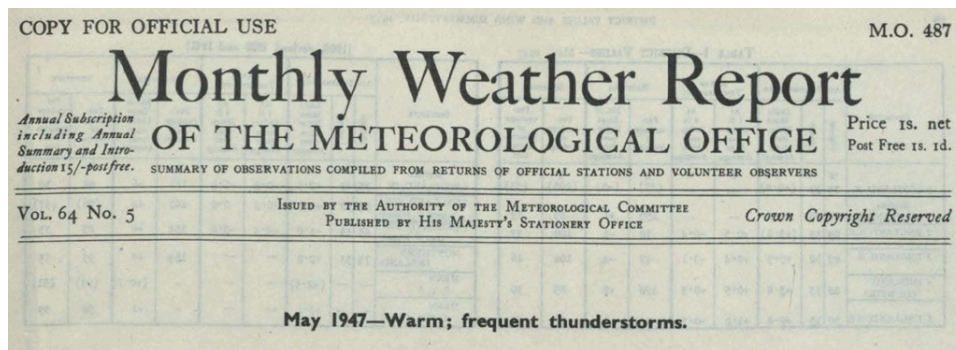
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Compare last month with May 1947, for instance, which experienced a real heatwave:



The weather of the month was unusually warm, particularly in England and Wales. It was dry in north Scotland and the eastern half of England and wet on the whole elsewhere; thunderstorms occurred frequently. Conditions were quieter than usual.

Temperature.—Mean temperature exceeded the average by 3.1°F. in England and Wales, 2.3°F. in Scotland and 2.2°F. in Northern Ireland. As far as can be estimated it was the warmest May over England and Wales as a whole since before 1901. At Southport and Sheffield the mean temperature was the highest for May since records were started in 1871 and 1883 respectively. The period 28th–31st

was exceptionally warm; temperature rose to 85°F. or above at numerous stations in England on each of the last three days. The first three or four days were cool and a relatively cool spell occurred in southern England during the week 18th–24th.

The extremes for the month were:—(England and Wales) 90°F. in London (Camden Square) on the 31st, 32°F. at West Kirby on the 2nd and Santon Downham on the 17th; (Scotland) 81°F. at Wolfelee on the 29th, 27°F. at Dalwhinnie on the 3rd; (Northern Ireland) 75°F. at Lisburn on the 31st, 33°F. at Hillsborough on the 4th.

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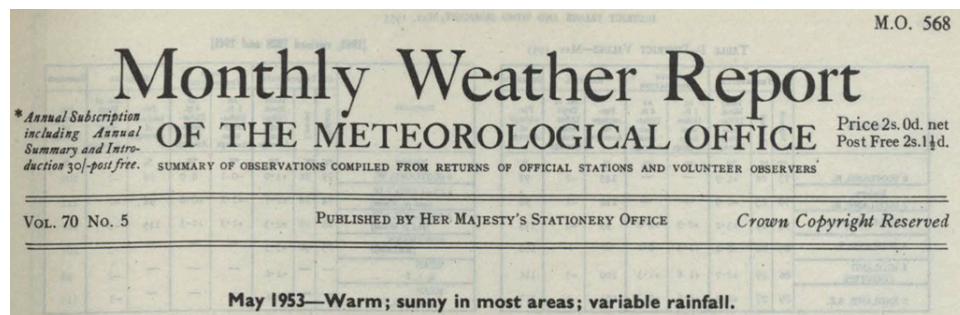
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Temperatures last month got nowhere near 90C. And the hot weather lasted for more than a few days. Apart from those two cool spells, the month was largely dominated by anti-cyclonic warmth. Yet according to the Met Office, May 2024 was 1.7C hotter than May 1947.

May 1953 was another hot month, but the Met Office say it was 1.9C cooler than last month:



In the British Isles the weather was warm generally and sunny in most places; it was mainly dry until the 12th, apart from rain on the 1st in the south-east. The warmest days occurred around the 5th and 25th. Thunderstorms occurred rather frequently during the latter half of the month.

Temperature.—Mean temperature exceeded the average for 1921–50 by 2.6°F. in England and Wales and in Scotland and 3.3°F. in Northern Ireland. Screen temperatures of 32°F. or below were

registered locally at times during the first half of the month mainly on the 1st–3rd and 7th–13th. Warm spells occurred on the 3rd–6th and 24th–25th, the latter period being very warm inland, particularly in England.

Extreme temperatures for the month included:—(England and Wales) 89°F. at London Airport and at Farnham on the 25th, 26°F. at Kielder Castle and Moor House, Dufton on the 9th; (Scotland) 79°F. at Stirling on the 5th, 24°F. at Glenmore Lodge on the 7th; (Northern Ireland) 75°F. at Armagh on the 5th and at Castle Archdale on the 6th, 31°F. at Garvagh on the 11th.

The Met Office have argued that the warmth last month, according to their figures, was due to night time temperatures. However their data also shows a record for May based on daily max temperatures.

We are well familiar with the concerns about the accuracy of the Met Office temperature dataset. But let me give you one more example.

Ray Sanders, who has spent much time on this topic, noticed that the highest UK temperature of the day was set last week at Neatishead in Norfolk. He did not recognise this station and it was not on the Met Office's classification list.

When he enquired with the Met Office, they told him that the station only began operations in December 2022. So their dataset now includes a station which almost certainly is in a hot spot, whether geographic or because of poor siting. And consequently, up goes the Met Office's temperature for that part of Norfolk. (They also asked him why he was enquiring about the station classification – plainly they are desperate to stop the public finding out the truth about their stations!)

Multiply that out a hundred times, and you can quickly add a degree or two to the national temperature.

The Met Office obviously now feel emboldened enough to publish these sort of claims, no matter how outrageous. They know the public don't believe them, but no longer care.

Finally let's finish with the twitter, nearly all of which are highly critical and incredulous"

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